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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 6, 2004. Applicants believe that no fee is due as this paper is submitted within the three-month shortened statutory period, and no additional claim is introduced. However, in the event that additional fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 20-0531.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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